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Brookeville Times



News from the BPC

The following items will be on the agenda for the June 7, 2026, meeting of the Brookeville Planning Commission:

Permits for Approval:

- WSSC Project for Market Street boring holes

Preliminary Consultation:

- 13 North: Fence and shed installation (HAWP Pending)

New Business:


- Amended Zoning Ordinance
- Update Forest Conservation Act (FCA) Ordinance

Old Business:

- Design and Engineering Street Improvement Project
- 19 High: progress
- WSSC Project CP6827A19

Collaborative Design Charrette

 **Monday, August 10, 2026**

 **7:30 pm – 9:30 pm (Eastern)**

 **Brookeville Academy, 5 High St, Brookeville, MD 20833**

The Town of Brookeville invites residents, property owners, and stakeholders to participate in a **Collaborative Design Charrette** focused on the future of **East Market Street**.

Update to Local Forest Conservation Act Ordinance

The Town will need to update its Forest Conservation Act (FCA) ordinances to comply with recently enacted state legislation, SB 526 and HB 1511. These laws strengthen statewide forest protections and require local jurisdictions to adopt revised standards to ensure consistent implementation.

The updated regulations include no-net forest loss requirements, increased reforestation ratios, and updated priority urban forest mapping.

Mark Your Calendars

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, July 7, 2026

7:30 pm via Zoom

Commissioners Meeting

Wednesday, July 8, 2026

7:30 pm via Zoom

Planning Commission Meeting

Tuesday, August 4, 2026

7:30 pm via Zoom

Charette

Monday, August 10, 2026

7:30 pm

Brookeville Academy

Commissioners Meeting

Wednesday, August 12, 2026

7:30 pm via Zoom

All meetings are open to the public.

If you would like to attend a public meeting that is being held via Zoom, please send an email to clerk@townofbrookevillemd.org for login credentials.

Each local jurisdiction must formally adopt an updated FCA ordinance that meets or exceeds the new state requirements. Adoption of the revised ordinance is necessary to maintain compliance with Maryland law and to support long-term forest stewardship, climate resilience, and environmental quality.

Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance

To comply with Maryland's [Land Use Article and Real Property – Accessory Dwelling Units – Requirements and Prohibitions act of 2025 \(HB 1466/SB 891\)](#), the Town of Brookeville is amending its Zoning Ordinance. The Town's Zoning Ordinance already allows "Accessory apartments" and will be amended to conform to the State of Maryland's definition of accessory dwelling units and dwelling units.

An AMENDMENT to the Town of Brookeville zoning ordinance to:

- 1) add definitions of accessory dwelling units and dwelling units;
- 2) permit an accessory dwelling unit on any lot with an existing single-family detached primary dwelling unit;
- 3) establish mandatory standards as set forth by the State of Maryland for accessory dwelling units

Section 10-201: Definitions

- a) "Accessory dwelling unit" means a secondary dwelling unit that is on the same lot, parcel, or tract as a primary single-family detached dwelling unit and not greater than 75% of the size of and subordinate in use to the primary single-family detached dwelling unit. "Accessory dwelling unit" includes a structure that is separate from the primary single-family detached dwelling unit or attached as an addition to the primary single-family detached dwelling unit.
- b) "Dwelling unit" means a single unit providing complete living facilities for at least one individual, including, at a minimum, provisions for sanitation, cooking, eating, and sleeping.

Section 10-202: Standards for Accessory Dwelling Units

- a) An accessory dwelling unit is permitted on any lot with an existing single-family detached dwelling unit, provided it meets all other standards for accessory structures.
- b) An accessory dwelling unit is exempt from the calculation of density for the lot, parcel, or tract upon which it is located. The construction of accessory dwelling units is not restricted by any Town of Brookeville ordinance, policy, or program intended to limit residential growth.
- c) The rear and side lot line setback requirements for accessory dwelling units are the same as other accessory structures for the zoning district in which the lot, parcel, or tract is located.
- d) Where an Accessory Dwelling Unit is allowed as a limited use, it must satisfy the following standards:
 - i. The Accessory Dwelling Unit must have the same street address as the principal dwelling;
 - ii. The total number of occupants 18 years of age or older residing in the Accessory Dwelling Unit shall be limited to two 2.

Sustainable Maryland

The Town Commissioners will review two proposed Resolutions needed for the Town to join Sustainable Maryland at the July 8 meeting:

- **Resolution 2026-01:** Supporting Participation in the Sustainable Maryland Municipal Certification Program
- **Resolution 2026-02:** Establish a Brookeville Green Team to Support Sustainability Initiatives and Pursue Sustainable Maryland Certification

To learn more about Sustainable Maryland, visit: <https://sustainablemaryland.com/about>

Commissioner Dan Donnelly is the point of contact for the Brookeville Green Team.

Request for Proposal (RFP)

The Town published one RFPs in June:

- RFP 2026-02: curbside trash and recycling services

Details of the RFPs can be found here: [Request for Proposal - Town of Brookeville, MD](#)

Upcoming Town Events

These events will be held at the Brookeville Academy and open to all Residents!

- Town Picnic: October 4th
- Halloween Party: TBD
- Holiday Brunch: Sunday, December 6th

Community News: Coop's Soups

Growing, Cooking, and Sharing Together

Since early March, the Coop's Soups team have been growing a vibrant garden in Salem United Methodist's backyard—chard, kale, beets, carrots, strawberries, potatoes, tomatoes, peppers, beans, and herbs. Once a month, this harvest becomes soup shared with neighbors facing food insecurity in Montgomery County.

Beginning in July, we hope to double our impact by making soup twice a month—and you're invited to join us.

Coop's Soups will now gather on the 2nd and 4th Sundays, 3–6 pm, to make soup, bake bread with Hope Klein of Sage and Sourdough, and harvest produce for donation.



Make Soup and Bread • Garden • Eat Dinner • Meet Your Neighbors • Feed Your Neighbors
2nd and 4th Sundays at 3:00 PM

No cooking or gardening experience needed. We provide Student Service Learning (SSL) hours for students who help in the garden or kitchen.

For more information or to get involved, email Cristin Cooper cristinlcooper@gmail.com

Or visit: <https://coopssoups.com/who-is-my-neighbor>

Coffeeshop Fridays | 9:00 am – 1:00 pm

Coffeeshop Friday is taking a little summer break and will return **August 14**. We can't wait to gather again with good coffee and good company.

An espresso machine will be available for anyone who'd like a fresh cup of coffee. Bring your laptop, your to-do list, or simply yourself and enjoy a relaxed, shared workspace with neighbors.

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